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PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE SITE 1
THANH HOA AREA, NORTH VIETNAM
19-39-20N 105-50-06E

(SEE NPIC BRIEFING BOARDS L-4689 AND L-4690)

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE FIRST PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILES TO BE IDENTIFIED IN NORTH VIETNAM.

2. LOCATION:

SITE 1, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS THANH HOA SAM SITE A17B-2 (260), IS LOCATED 9.9 NM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF THANH HOA AT 19-39-20N 105-50-06E (UTM WG875734).

3. BACKGROUND:

THE SS-N-2 (STYX) IS AN AERODYNAMIC ANTISHIP MISSILE INSTALLED IN THE "KOMAR" AND "OSA" CLASS GUIDED MISSILE PATROL BOATS.

THIS PATROL CRAFT-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE FOR USE AGAINST SHIPS HAS A MAXIMUM RANGE OF 20 NM WITH A SPEED OF MACH 0.9 REACHING A CRUISING ALTITUDE BETWEEN 300 - 1000 FEET. THE LENGTH OF THE MISSILE IS 21 FEET.

THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT THE SS-N-2 (STYX) CRUISE MISSILE COULD BE USED AS A SHORE-TO-SHIP COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE, ALTHOUGH THE SOVIETS AND CHINESE, HAVE NOT APPARENTLY USED IT IN THIS ROLE.

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4. COLLATERAL:

AS EARLY AS AUGUST 1967 CRATES POSSIBLY CONTAINING SS-N-2 (STYX)
CRUISE MISSILES WERE OBSERVED ABOARD A SOVIET MERCHANT SHIP PARTIZANSKAYA
ISKRA EN ROUTE TO HAI PHONG. PHOTOGRAPHY

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REVEALED THE PARTIZANSKAYA ISKRA IN HAI PHONG PORT WITH ALL HATCH
COVERS REMOVED. NO EVIDENCE OF CRUISE MISSILE CRATES WAS OBSERVED.

5. MISSION READOUT:

REVEALS PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE
MISSILE SITE 1 TO CONSIST OF SIX REVETTED POSITIONS. ONE OF THE
REVETMENTS CONTAINS A CAMOUFLAGED, PROBABLE SS-N-2 (STYX) MISSILE
WHICH APPEARS TO BE MOUNTED ON A TRUCK. TWO OF THE REVETMENTS CONTAIN
CAMOUFLAGED POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS.

REVEALS THE CONTROL SUPPORT AREA
OF PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE SITE 1.

6. REMARKS:

THE CAMOUFLAGE COVERING OVER THE POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS PRECLUDES A
DETAILED INTERPRETATION OF THE SITE. THEY APPEAR TO HAVE DUAL LAUNCH
RAILS POSSIBLY MOUNTED ON SOME TYPE OF TRAILER. ONE OF THESE POSSIBLE
LAUNCHERS IS IN AN INCLINED POSITION.

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THE POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS APPEAR SIMILAR TO, ALTHOUGH SHORTER THAN,
THE SSC-2 (SAMLET) COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE LAUNCHER.

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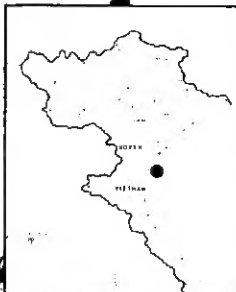
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THANH HOA AREA, NORTH VIETNAM
19-39-20N 105-50-06E

(FORMERLY SAM SITE 260)
PRE STRIKE



PROB SS-N-2 (STYX) MISSILE



POSS LAUNCHER

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CONTROL/SUPPORT AREA

THANH HOA 9.9 NM

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20X ENLARGEMENT

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